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## CORRECTION

In the story "War of the Worlds" in the Feb. 22 issue, we stated a quote from John Griesbach but the correct name was John Ensminger. We apologize for this error.

## GIRL SCOUT WEEK

March 10-17, the Girl Scouts of the Midland Empire Council will be celebrating 55 years of serving the area.

The council will celebrate all day Saturday, March 10, with numerous activities at the East Hills Shopping Center in St. Joseph. Events include historical displays, dioramas, poetry readings, sing-alongs, and a Girl Scout cookie eating contest. Festivities are kicked off 10 a.m.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

In attempt to raise money for the Humane Society, the Northwest Rodeo Team/Club will host a spaghetti dinner 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., March 8, in Horace Mann Gym. Cost is \$6, but showing Bearcat ID's take \$1 off the cost.

## GOSPEL OUTREACH

Talents Used for God will present the Send Me! Gospel Outreach 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, March 11, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom. Admission is free, however, a \$3 donation is recommended.

## TODAY

Peer Advisor training workshop, 3:30 to 8 p.m., in the Union Ballroom.

Food court buffet.

Tower Choir concert, 8 p.m., in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

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## —STATE LEGISLATURE

# Diversity bill passes through committee

By Kristin Summers  
University Editor

The Emily Brooker Intellectual Diversity Act passed out of committee Tuesday, Feb. 27 with a 5-3 vote, according to Missouri National Education Association.

Rep. Mike Thomson, a member of the higher education committee, said the hearing went well with several testimonies including one from Emily Brooker.

Brooker, a Missouri State University graduate, sued her school due to the violation of her first amendment rights in two of her social work classes.

She was assigned a project in one of her classes to write and sign a letter to the Missouri Legislature in support of gay adoption. Brooker refused to sign the letter due to her

Christian beliefs, according to *USA Today*.

In November, Missouri State signed an out-of-court agreement with the Alliance Defense Fund, a Christian legal group, on Brooker's behalf, according to *News-Missourian*.edu.

The bill, House Bill 213, would require public institutions to send report to the General Assembly each year by December, showing that the institution is promoting intellectual diversity and academic freedom, the bill 213.

Along with the annual report, there are two other main points to the bill. One requires colleges to inform students on how grievances are filed against faculty or staff. The other requires the school to put those policies on the school's Web site, according to Lucy LePage, legislative assistant to Rep.

Jane Cunningham, who sponsors the bill.

The bill has several supporters including Gov. Matt Blunt, who made a statement at the hearing encouraging the Senate and House to examine the bill carefully, LePage said.

Thomson supports the bill in its current format, but said the bill may be changed depending on the suggestions it receives as it continues its process to be heard on the floor, which is the bill's next step.

Provost Kichoon Yang was surprised the bill passed out of committee, while Mark Corson, associate professor in Geosciences, said he was disappointed.

"This is a response to a problem that doesn't exist," Corson said.

As of press time, the bill was not on the calendar to be heard on the floor.

## —FIELD'S CLOSING

# Business to close after 80 years

By Dominic Genetti  
Senior Reporter

Sometimes she's grateful to get one customer a day. It's not like she remembers in years past, but when a possible patron comes through the door, Nancy Sue Hilsabeck gives them the same customer service Field's Clothing has been known for in its 80 years of business.

"We were just, all the time, busy," Hilsabeck said. "We just had boxes, boxes, boxes stacked."

However, with changing times and going without a paycheck for the past six months, Hilsabeck has decided to close the longtime Maryville business for good.

see BUSINESS on A6

## —PLOGHOFT LECTURE SERIES



photo by Lucas Larson / Missourian photographer  
**MICHAEL HINGSON** speaks to a packed audience at Mary Linn Performing Arts Center on Monday night about his life as a blind man. His guide dog, Roselle, rests behind him as he spoke of how the two escaped the 78th floor of Tower 1 together during the 9/11 attacks.

# Man recalls experience

By Lindsay Jacobs  
Asst. Features Editor

The two worked as a team to evacuate the World Trade Center's Tower One on Sept. 11, 2001. They were on the 78th floor when the airplane slammed in to 96th floor, just 18 floors away.

Michael Hingson and his guide dog, Roselle, made it down the stairs safely. It wasn't until they got out did they realize what happened.

Blind since shortly after birth, Hingson spoke to several on Monday night at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center about his experience that day.

see EXPERIENCE on A6

## In between sangria and sunbathing, keep safety in mind

By Tara Adkins  
Features Editor

With drifts of snow and sleep on their faces, students are dreaming of Spring Break, the white sandy beaches of Mexico.

At 5 p.m. on March 16, Northwest's doors will lock, students will jet off to their destinations of choice and Spring Break will officially begin.

Although consuming a lifetime of alcohol in a short five days may sound like the ultimate college experience, many Spring Breakers forget the safety risks lurking around this constant party.

"You need to know your boundaries because there are so many things that can happen that you wouldn't realize," said Vince Shisler, project assistant for University Health Services. "The No. 1 thing is to have fun safely."

Several students will guzzle beer, vodka, rum and tequila down their throats at ages the United States does not consider legal, which is one reason why Cancun tops the spots as the most popular spring break destination.

Mexico's drinking age is 18 but according to a student travel Web site, Springbreaksafety.com, it is "rarely enforced."

With a surveyed average of 18 drinks a day for men and 10 drinks per day for women, more than half of all men and more than 40 percent of all women drink until they become sick or passed out at least once, according to the *Journal of American College Health*.

Drinking such large amounts has been known to lead to accidents, arrests, alcohol poisoning, violent crimes, rapes and even death.

"It doesn't matter whether it's on Spring Break or any other time, drinking more than one drink per hour will effect judgment and safety," said Virginia Murr, director of wellness and assistant director of health services at the University Health Center.

In Mexico, many American student visitors forget indecent behavior, disturbing the peace, drinking on the street or on public transportation and making obscene remarks are all considered criminal activity.

"Use common sense and be aware of your surroundings to avoid any problems," Joan Apple, Maryville Travel Agency owner and manager said.

see **SPRING BREAK** on A6

### CAUTION Spring Break

The top 10 tips Peer Education offers to students for their Spring Break:

- Go out in groups and make sure no one is ever left alone or behind.
- Don't ever leave your drink out of sight.
- Wear sunscreen.
- Always keep emergency money in a separate place other than your purse or wallet.
- Do not accept drinks from strangers unless you watch it being poured.
- Do not travel with illegal substances.
- Avoid casual sex with someone you just met or make sure you practice safer sex.
- Never leave an intoxicated friend.
- Be careful following people you don't know back to hotel rooms, parties, homes, etc.
- Don't carry lots of cash. Use credit/debit cards, or traveler's checks.
- If a theft occurs, report your card stolen immediately, and have it canceled.
- Always buckle up.

## —PRE-SPRING BREAK

# Outback hosts pre-break party

By Marcus Meade  
Community News Editor

Spring Break will start a week early at the World Famous Outback Bar when magazine model Brookebanx.com. Her accomplishments include articles and pictures in magazines like *PHM* and *America Curves Magazine*.

"From what I've heard she seems pretty cool," Campobasso said. "... She's a pretty down-to-earth girl."

Other than the occasional girl who doesn't want her boyfriend attending, Campobasso has gotten positive feedback on the event.

"I think it's probably going to be a good time," said Chris Oryshyn, a Northwest student. "I think the bikini contest and drink specials should be fun."

Banx, the main attraction of the night and host of the party, is a Texas native with three years of modeling experience, according to Brookebanx.com. Her accomplishments include articles and pictures in magazines like *PHM* and *America Curves Magazine*.

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Part of the festivities will be a "best bikini contest" with the winner receiving \$100 and the second-place contestant receiving \$50, according to Outbacknw.com.

The Outback will also offer drink specials and merchandise raffles.

Campobasso expects a large turnout for the event and advises people to show up early or run the risk of being turned away.

There will be a cover charge for all people attending due to the unique nature of this event, according to the site.

Drink specials for the event include half-price drinks before 11 p.m., completely random free shot giveaways and a free drink the first 30 people that enter.

## DIGITAL DEAN



submitter photo by John Shaffer  
**A VIRTUAL** President Dean Hubbard, also known as an avator, was created for the Second Life, 3-D virtual world, presentation by the Advanced Web Publishing class March 7. Log onto [www.missourianews.com](http://www.missourianews.com) for the story.



# CAMPUSBRIEFS

## Up 'til Dawn ends campaign with all-night finale

"Up 'til Dawn," raising funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., will host an all-night event starting at 10 p.m. Friday, and ending at 6 a.m., Saturday, in the Student Recreation Center. Along with door prizes and \$1 movies, rock bands Town Crier and Grasshopper Take Over will perform.

Proceeds from this year's event will go toward the 2007-08 total.

## Annual Jazz Festival includes military band and vocalist

Northwest's Music Department and Phi Mu Alpha, a collegiate music society, will host annual Northwest Jazz Festival March 9 and 10. The festival will feature the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Jazz Combo performing at 8 p.m., Friday in Charles Johnson Theater.

The Northwest Jazz Ensemble will perform at 5 p.m., Saturday in Charles Johnson Theater.

Both performances will be accompanied by jazz vocalist and songwriter Kathy Kosins. Admission is free for both performances, but tickets are required for the Friday performance.

Tickets can be picked up at the Maryville Daily Forum or the Student Services Center in the Administration Building.

## Missouri Academy students earn first in math competition

Northwest Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics and Computing students finished first overall in the Great Plains Math League Competition March 3.

The following qualified for state competition which will be held in April: Nate Brown, Craig Burkhardt, Ben Passer, Justin Schmelzer, Samantha White and Niels Zussblatt.

## IIC host events celebrating Women's History Month

Hosted by the Intercultural and International Center, a seminar on breast cancer, mental health, body image and sexual assault awareness will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday and Tuesday, March 27 on the second floor of the J.W. Jones Student Union.

Another event hosted by IIC is the Reception for Woman who are Indispensable to Northwest which, begins at 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Living Room.



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# CAMPUS

## FAMILY AFFAIR



TOM WINGFIELD, played by Roely Gorham, talks with his mother Amanda Wingfield, played by Lauren Murphy, about his sister Laura in the play "The Glass Menagerie." The play was about Laura finding a male suitor to marry. Tom leaving his job at a warehouse in search of adventure and Amanda trying to keep the family together throughout the play.

## New black box theater added to Mary Linn

By Whitney Keyes  
Chief Reporter

Come Fall 2008, Northwest theater students will be moving out of an old storage closet, and into a brand new facility.

The University is in the process of building a new black box theater on the southeast corner of the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

A black box theater is a typical part of most theater programs. All the walls are black, and the chairs can be moved into whatever seating fits the show best. The new facility will serve as a classroom, rehearsal space and also a performance area. Also, the staff is hoping for office space and restrooms.

The theater will host some main stage shows, but also almost all of the student-led shows. Typically, there are 5 to 7 student-led shows each year.

"Some plays are more suited for more intimate settings," said assistant theater professor Pat Immel. "Also, with this smaller space, student directors can focus more on the ac-

ting and directing, rather than getting tied down with scenery for such a big space."

Currently a former equipment room, underneath the stage in Mary Linn is being used as the black box.

"It's not that it has poor ventilation—it has no ventilation," said College of Arts and Sciences Dean Charles McAdams.

Students currently use this as a classroom, rehearsal and performance space. Some classes have also been held in the lobby of Mary Linn. The new facility will give students and faculty a more suitable area for learning and performing.

Also, the black box will be helpful for the department when traveling shows come to Northwest. The Encore Performing Arts series, which has brought shows such as the "Ballet Folklorico de Mexico," and the show "Wonderful Town," uses the main stage in Mary Linn, which can cause a problem when Northwest has scenery set up.

This new studio theater, which has been a desire of the theater depart-

ment for years, is made possible in part by an anonymous \$1 million donation. The donor requested that the money be used for the new facility, after hearing about the need from faculty.

"The donor really enjoys the arts, and this is his way of supporting Northwest students and the arts," McAdams said.

Along with the donation, the University has matched the \$1 million. The project is now in the design stages. Theater professors and staff are working with the architect almost every Friday, usually for three hours, Immel said.

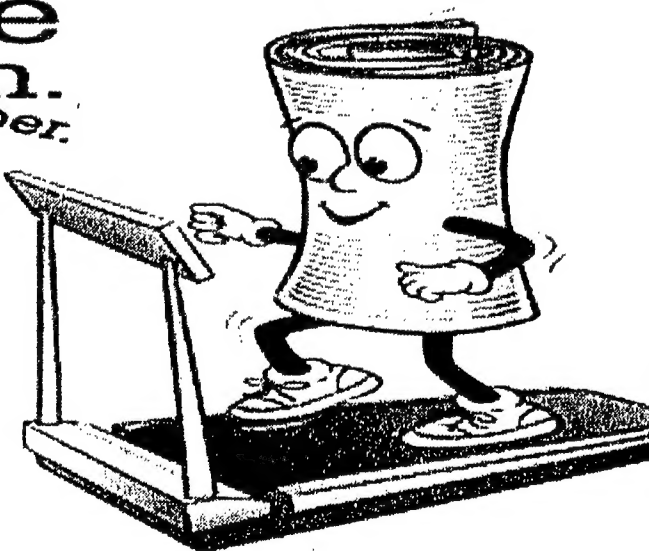
The staff hopes the new facility, along with serving current students as best as possible, will be a useful recruitment tool. Even at recent thespian conferences, Northwest has already been promoting the new theater, Immel said.

"The current black box isn't a deathtrap, but it's not good," he said. "We'll be walking through mud for a year and a half, but it'll be mud for a new theater."

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# COMMUNITY

## MARYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

## 8th graders get sneak peek

By Andrea James  
Chief Reporter

Maryville High School opened doors and used resources to show everything it can offer to potential students.

MHS premiered a showcase March 5, to inform eighth graders, parents and the community about the school.

The showcase gave an introduction to the landscape of the school, Parent Advisory Team member Jolaine Zweifel said. Zweifel's daughter is a junior at the high school and participated in the showcase.

"It is important because parents have the opportunity to see the environment and to see the teachers in their environment," Zweifel said.

The showcase presented student demonstrations and completed projects so the community could see the types of activities MHS students perform.

Students were also an active part of the showcase by giving school tours, helping people play bingo in French and Spanish and solving math problems for parents and their kids.

MHS senior Andy Schreck was one of the students participating in the showcase, demonstrating how to make pottery using a potter's wheel.

He likes how art possesses the ability to communicate without words.

"Words can't fully express how you feel; with art you can express yourself on a visual level," Schreck said.

Schreck thought the showcase was a great idea because it gave the eighth graders an idea of what to expect.

The showcase gave Maryville resident Michael Steiner and son, Danny, a small glimpse of the high school life. Danny now knows graduation requirements and classes he wants to take.

"You can ask teachers all the questions you've been thinking about," Michael said.



MARYVILLE HIGH School senior Andy Schreck (right) forms a bowl during a presentation for the ceramics class on Monday night during the high school showcase. Schreck plans on attending Central Missouri University next year.

Student and student ambassador Brooke Veer gave tours to those needing help getting around.

"It's our job to get people settled in and answer any questions they have," Veer said.

Student ambassadors are new to the high school and were initiated in November, said Janet Jelavich, MHS English teacher. The showcase was their first major event to help host.

In previous years, the high school had teachers at tables in the gym and the commons, Zweifel said. Someone suggested to the Parent Advisory Team that they should do something different for this year. The team tried to do what would be supportive of parents getting involved.

"It's been an experiment to try to make the school better. It was a team effort," Zweifel said.

## Formal wear store opens

By Jared Bailey  
Missourian Reporter

With prom season upon us, tuxedos and gowns will soon be in high demand.

Shannon Bean aims to provide them.

Bean opened Shannon Renee's Formal Wear and Accessories in what used to be part of the Show Me Inn Motel, on Feb. 11, at 954 S. Main St.

Shannon Renee's provides tuxedos and dresses for weddings and proms. The store also has candles, jewelry, tiaras, wedding rice, guest books and tuxedo shoes.

"We're talking weddings, so everybody's happy when they come in and excited," Bean said.

"And proms, and the girls are excited about getting all dressed up. And the guys, they're kind of shy, but they're fun, too."

The store, which was originally known as and owned by the company, Studio B, was bought by Bean Feb. 5.

When searching for a prom dress, customer Brandi Glidden found the place to be more organized and appealing to teenagers.

"She can carry on a conversation with a customer," Glidden

said. "She's got a very bubbly personality and that makes her a good person to own a store."

Bean previously worked at the Nodaway County Health Center, but always wanted to have her own business. She and her husband had been searching for 10 years, wanting just the right one.

She desired something affordable but also something that would contribute to Maryville. She believed the formal wear store could accomplish this because it allowed people to shop locally.

She is especially glad to help people get ready for special moments in their lives, she said.

"It's the spirit that everyone's in," Bean said. "It's a fun spirit. I get to experience in their happiness."

If the store turns out to be a success, Bean probably won't start a second store but may relocate to a building in Maryville with larger square footage, she said.

Bittersweet Floral and Gifts store owner, Cindy Kenny, wants more businesses near the Nodaway County Courthouse but is happy that a store in a related enterprise opened.

"I think it is great anytime anyone opens a new retail store in Maryville, as it denotes progress," Kenny said.

## Musical to sample Broadway

By Whitney Keyes  
Chief Reporter

The classroom is crowded with Charlie Brown, Maria from "West Side Story," Laurie and Curly from "Oklahoma!" and the teen angel from "Grease."

And for seventh period, they are all joined together.

These characters will be represented by Maryville High School from March 14 to 17, by the concert choir class, and the select choir group, Spectrum, in their production, "A Taste of Broadway!"

Students and staff in the choir department are trying something new with this show. Every other year, MHS puts on a musical, such as previous shows "Footloose" and "Hello Dolly!" However, this year is the off year, and the choir department is taking the opportunity to try something new.

The show will be comprised of various songs from over 20 Broadway musicals, ranging from "South Pacific," "Rent," "Guys and Dolls,"

"Jekyll and Hyde" and "Les Misérables." Both the concert choir class, and Spectrum, will perform the show. The students have been learning the music since the start of second semester.

"This is sort of an experiment," head vocal instructor Cecily Lanier said. "We're trying to get them to grow as entertainers in the Broadway range."

Lanier and assistant vocal music instructor were brainstorming ideas for an "off-year performance," when the idea for the show was born. Vazquez, who had done this type of show before, suggested it. Together, the two compiled a list of Broadway songs they enjoyed, then looked at songs the department already had.

"You also have to consider the students and their range," Lanier said. "You also want to introduce new shows to them—everyone wants to sing what they know, but we're trying to introduce new shows."

Lanier and Vazquez have been showing clips of Tony award-win-

ning performances in class. Students have also been using YouTube at home, renting the videos and buying the CDs.

Students are also in charge of finding their own costumes for the show. The costumes range from peasant shirts, to full colored skirts for "West Side Story," jazz costumes for "Chicago," and poodle skirts for "Grease."

"It's fun to come up with the costumes," said senior Spectrum member Carl Mercer. "I've got overalls and a plaid shirt for one song, and then this

really ugly dress that I'm excited for."

Another aspect of the show, which is a new idea, is that during this show, the audience will sit at themed tables, and enjoy small desserts while watching. The tables will all have themed centerpieces, complete with a playbill from the show it represents.

"I really like the idea of the dinner theater. It's fun, casual entertainment," Mercer said.

For more information or for tickets, contact Lanier or Vazquez at MHS. Tickets are \$5 each.

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## —OURVIEW

### Diversity bill won't fix much locally

There is a bill floating about in the state capitol because it is weightless. Nothing is keeping it from blowing away with the wind except for Rep. Jane Cunningham and other supporters clenching onto the intangible bill.

House Bill 213, or The Emily Brooker Intellectual Diversity Act, requires public institutions to report annually to Missouri's General Assembly showing how institutions guarantee intellectual diversity and academic freedom to students.

Along with the report, the institutions would inform students of the university's policy on how to report a grievance if their academic freedom is violated, and to have that information on a Web site, according to Lucy LePage, Rep. Jane Cunningham's legislative assistant, who sponsors the bill.

The government is trying to control universities by making them add another report to the list of several reports they already send every year to legislation. College is all about expressing your own ideas freely—that is the very foundation of college. To

say whatever the hell you want, without of course breaking any laws that would make you wear an orange jumpsuit.

The bill is named after Missouri State University graduate Emily Brooker, who sued her school due to violation of her first amendment rights in two of her social work classes.

She was assigned a project in one of her classes to write and a sign letter to the Missouri Legislature in support of gay adoption. Brooker refused to sign because of her Christian beliefs, according to USA Today.

In November, the lawsuit against Missouri State ended with her school signing an out-of-court agreement with the Alliance Defense Fund, a Christian legal group, on Brooker's behalf, according to News.missouristate.edu.

Now that the background of this rare case is out, let's look at the some of the redundant suggestions House Bill 213, if passed, has for universities to put in their annual reports. They must encourage a balanced variety of panels and speakers, establish clear campus policies that ensure that threats of violence that do not

prevent speakers from speaking and include intellectual diversity issues in student course evaluations, according to House Bill 213.

First off, several of the suggestions to help protect academic freedom and diversity already exist throughout campuses.

At Northwest, there are many of interesting speakers that promote diversity. Next week, a columnist, who spent 18 months living, working and dating disguised as a man and wrote the book "Self-Made Man," is speaking at Northwest. That's a pretty diverse story to share with Maryville.

It's important to make sure students know how to file grievances against teachers or staff, if they feel their rights have been violated. But just like every syllabus, day, hardly any teacher we've had since we've been freshmen here has actually read the academic policy section of the syllabus word for word.

If a blurb about how to file grievances against faculty and staff was thrown into each syllabus, it would be a waste of a tree, space, time and ink. Let's try to help the

environment out, please.

The only thing we agree with in the Diversity Bill is posting the policies of how to file grievances online. People are online every day, if they feel their academic freedom has been infringed, go to the Web site and learn about the universities policies. If grandmas can buy Beanie Babies off eBay, we're pretty sure if anyone was trying to find academic policies for a university that's posted online, they could find it.

Brooker's case is exceptional, which is why her name is tagged on the bill and thanks to the bill her name will forever roam the Internet for eternity.

Cases like Brooker's should be handled by the university where it occurred. Let's not drag the whole state into it. But it is worth having an entire bill of suggestions that universities already do.

Instead of again, killing trees with weightless bills, maybe we should focus maybe more on funding for education (higher, secondary and elementary) or even a crazier idea—fixing highways so people don't have to have their shoes replaced every six months.

## —MYVIEW

### Self-checkouts create mini crises

I've come to accept the fact that there are some things I will never do well, no matter how many times I do them.



Evan Young  
Copy Editor

handling their own purchases. There's no training, save using it every time you go shopping. It's kind of like going to a restaurant and having the option of cooking your own food. Thank heavens it's no one else's.

And I bet these machines make the actual, employed cashiers feel really useful, especially when five customers get checked out and are headed out the front door in the time it takes them to get one person through.

Well, they definitely won't have to worry about me speeding through the self-checkout. In fact, they may have to temporarily change the lane I'm in to a staffed checkout in order get my dazed and confused self through.

Just this weekend I spent an extra minute at Wal-Mart, in the self-checkout, looking for my receipt. I was just about ready to grab a nearby associate and tell him the machine was broken when I found it, printed out right in front of me. To make it worse, there were two people behind me, probably regretting they ever chose the line I was in.

On another occasion, I forgot to rub off the security device on an item I bought from the electronics department.

Off went the security alarm, and the smiling greeter who had welcomed me to Wal-Mart some 30 minutes earlier was no longer smiling, having to hunt through a long receipt to make sure I wasn't shoplifting.

Thank God I wasn't purchasing anything I didn't want anyone to see. Talk about embarrassment.

I've committed other self-

checkout fouls, too. Items don't scan, or they scan more than once. I choose to pay with cash and realize I have no cash. I fumble a huge case of bottled water while trying to scan it, sending it crashing back into the shopping cart. The list goes on.

You'd think I'd stop trying to be my own cashier and just let the people who make the big bucks take care of it. No, that would make too much sense. I keep going back to those lanes for no reason, totally aware of what terrible mini catastrophe is going to happen. It's an endless cycle of humiliation.

So please, if the next time you're at Wal-Mart, Hy-Vee or any store that has a self-checkout lane, and you see someone sliding an item 50 times across the scanner without any luck or frantically searching for the change slot, have mercy.

It's probably me.

## —COMMENTS FROM NWMISSOURIANEWS.COM

### In response to "Tornadoes bring good with the bad"

David Lomax  
Posted 3/03/07

Sounds like you're perfectly normal to me.

I have numerous dings in the side of my pickup from getting too close to the F3 that traversed Lewis County and leveled half of Culver-Stockton College in Canton on May 3, 2003. (I sat there in the intersection of Hwy 6 and N in Ewing until I saw the same piece of white siding go

around three times.)

John Mark, a Northwest student, was on the back porch with my volunteer fire department radio describing it as it approached the house. My mom and small son, Merritt, took cover in the basement.

Later that night I became a "certified redneck" when I did 8-plus news briefs for various TV stations. Jeff Foxworthy said I only have to be on TV twice describing the tornado to be certified. Overkilled that one!

Great article. Can't wait for tornado season either!

### In response to "Hounds end season with two on metal stand"

Jacob Zech  
Posted 2/28/07

Interesting article.

I liked the fact that you guys talked about Cliff and his plans after high school because not only is he a good guy but a good wrestler who deserves all the credit he can get.

## Students to speak at national conventions

Swatek, Pelham traveling to California, Washington D.C. to discuss research

By Dominic Genetti  
Senior Reporter

While Northwest keeps its Midwest roots, many will hear the University's name as two students make their way to two national conventions to discuss their scientific research.

Undergraduate Andy Swatek will head to the West Coast representing Northwest at Dominican University of California in San Rafael, Calif.

"I'm pretty excited," Swatek said. "I'm getting a little more anxious a the time comes to present it."

The research Swatek will be presenting involves the micro-structure of bone surfaces.

"Bones are made up of these collagen fibers, which we're looking at from the outer surface to see how they're arranged and things like that," Swatek said.

A native of St. Louis and a transfer from St. Louis Community College at Meramec, Swatek, 24, came upon the research not expecting much.

"We really didn't know what we were going to find," Swatek said. "We were using a scanning electron microscope we had just gotten from Hallmark. We decided to throw some samples under there to see what we say and what we did see was organization from collagen fibers was co-related to animals, reptiles, amphibians, birds and mammals."

After some analyzing, a significant discovery was made.

"What we're finding is that more advanced animals, like in mammals and things like that, they have a higher level of organization," Swatek said.

He will go to California later this spring to give his 15-minute

national speech. After he graduates from Northwest, Swatek plans to become a veterinarian. He is looking to go to veterinary college at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

With Swatek representing the University on the West Coast, Northwest graduate Chris Pelham will take his research to the east to Washington, D.C.

There he will speak at the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology national conference.

"It's really good forum to present your research and then you might see somebody who's working on a similar subject," Pelham said.

Pelham's research is human based and has more of a health angle to it.

"We are focusing on a single gene," Pelham said. "It's called the HFE gene and it's important in iron regulation in the body. The way we know that is in certain people they have mutation in the gene, which leads to mutation in the protein."

"When the protein is defective or deficient, that causes the body to take up too much iron and that can be a problem when it accumulates over the years."

From Bellevue, Neb., Pelham, 22, began his research as an undergraduate.

"I was only able to dedicate maybe 10 hours a week and now working full-time I've made a lot of progress," Pelham said. "It's a real honor to represent the school because I know that our research programs isn't like a large university, but it's on the up."

Pelham travels to Washington, D.C. in late April. His time at the national conference lasts until the first week of May.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Feb. 26

■Larceny/stealing, cell phone

■Michael R. Mabion, 23, St. Joseph, failure to appear, 400 block N. Market

March 2

■Property damage, damage to yards, 1100 block Ashley Drive

March 3

March 4

■Towed vehicle, silver Escort and red Grand Prix

SHERIFF'S DEPT

Feb. 18

■Megan Steen, 22, Ankeny, Iowa was arrested for DWI and was released after the mandatory detox was served.

Feb. 19

■An one vehicle accident was reported at U.S. Highway 71 at the intersection with 400 St.

■Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Ravenwood.

Feb. 20

■Archie Gorman, 79, Skidmore was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for miscellaneous ordinance violation.

Feb. 21

■Ronald Bailey, 31, Lufkin, TX. Was arrested on a Texas felony warrant for theft of a firearm.

■A Maryville subject reported her vehicle was damaged while parked in a parking lot.

■A Burlington Jct. subject reported they had some property stolen from a building in Burlington Jct.

Feb. 22

■A Conception Jct. subject reported a stolen animal.

Feb. 23

■James Wynn, 41, Burlington Jct. was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for domestic assault.

Feb. 24

■A Parnell subject reported that his license plates had either been stolen or lost.

■Robert Wilmes, 37, Skidmore was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear.

Feb. 25

■Officers responded to an accident on Ideal Road.

Feb. 26

■Officers responded to an accident on Munn and Edwards.

Feb. 28

■Willie Gill, 36, Maryville was arrested on felony parole warrant out of Texas.

Accidents

Feb. 27

■Catalina M. Kropf, 19, Maryville, and Bobby R. Kelley, Hopkins, Mo., collided in the 1100 block S. Main

Feb. 28

■Raymond J. Schuster, 87, Maryville, and Sharon J. Monk, 54, Maryville, collided at Edwards and Main. Schuster was cited with failure to stop at a posted stop sign.

March 2

■Katie D. Simmerman, 16, Stanberry, Mo., and Bryana M. Hagen, 20, Maryville, collided at South Avenue and Main

## BIRTHS

Logann Keeley Sobotka

Logann Keeley Sobotka was born Feb. 23, 2007 to parents Brad and Alicia Sobotka, Parnell, at St. Francis Hospital.

Logann weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce and joins one brother Coy.

Grandparents are Thomas and Tammy Welch, Parnell, and Ron and Clara Sobotka, Ravenwood.

Great-grandparents are Dale and Shirley Sharp, Texas, Syl and Betty Welch, Parnell, and Leonora Sobotka, Bethany.

## OBITUARIES

Donald Chester Taylor, 90,

Hopkins, Mo., died Monday, March 5, 2007, at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 6, 1916 in Clarks, Nebraska to William and Anna (Moore) Taylor and was a graduate of Gaylor High School.

On Nov. 20, 1941 he married Winona Pearl Ballard in Sacramento, Calif. Taylor served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II. He attended the Way Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Preceding him in death were his parents; an infant son, Alan Vaughn, and three sisters: Vera Ramos, Esther Hawthorne and Faye Hoskin.

He is survived by his wife, Winona Taylor, Hopkins; two sons: Paul Taylor, Skidmore, Mo., and Bill Taylor, Hopkins, and daughter, Linda Fletcher, New Orleans; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m. at Swanson-Price Funeral Home, Hopkins, with a visitation to be held there from 7-8 p.m., Friday, March 9.

Garland Ronald "Ronnie" Lewis, 65, Stanberry, Mo., died Monday, March 5, 2007 at the St. Francis Hospital, Maryville.

Born on Dec. 25, 1941, he was the son of Perry and Rosella (Walker) Lewis. He was a member of the Ravenwood Christian Church. He was a 1958 graduate of Northeast Nodaway. He was a self-employed Barber with shops in Johnson and Cook, Neb., in addition had been employed with American Meter Company. He was a member of the Johnson Volunteer Fire Dept., Johnson, Neb.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Jean (Ballenger) Lewis in July of 2000. He was also preceded in death by his father, Perry, wife, Barbara, sisters, Phyllis, Price and Carolyn Lewis, and brother, Billy Fred Lewis.

He is survived by his loving mother, Rosella (Walker) Lewis, Ravenwood, significant other, Kay McMillen, Stanberry, loving children, Kealye Fournazari, Overland Park, Kan., RaLonda Byre and husband Dean, Lincoln, Neb., Tim Lewis and wife Leigh Ann, Maryville, Lance Lewis, Maryville, sister, Coline Stolt, Maryville, brothers, Oral Dean "Pete" Lewis, Ravenwood, Don Lewis, Parnell, Eldon "Red" Lewis, Maryville, grandchildren, Marc Pournazari, Paige and Alex Lewis, Dillon Byre, mother-in-law, Ruby Ballenger, Maryville.

A Celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m., on Friday, March 9 at the Danfelt Funeral Home, 951 S. Main St., with the Rev. Paul McKim, officiating. Final resting place will be in the Nodaway Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at the Danfelt Funeral Home on Thursday evening from 6 to 8 p.m.

A Memorial Fund has been established for Mr. Lewis, c/o Danfelt Funeral Home. Friends may call anytime after 9 a.m. on Thursday. Online condolences and tributes may be left by visiting [www.danfelfuneralhome.com](http://www.danfelfuneralhome.com).

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## WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

These students were nominated for their scholarship, leadership and service. Congratulations to all the students who received this honor.

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Stevie Anglin  
Amanda Atkins  
Aaron Baker  
Karen Becker  
Nisha Bhatti  
Tabitha Biermann  
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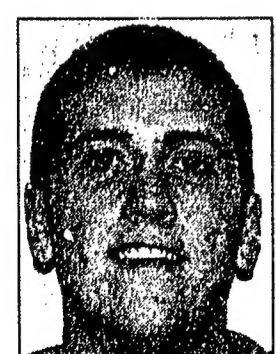
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## CAMPUSALIK

### What do you think about Brooke Banx coming to Maryville?



"Too bad I'm not going to be in Maryville,"  
Kevin Inman  
Psychology



"If it furthers her career, go for it,"  
Frankie Petty  
Journalism



"I'm curious why a superhero would come to Maryville. It seems like she's on her downfall is she coming here?"  
Matt Kern  
Academy of Science



"Who is that?"  
Alyssa Crawford  
Management Information Systems and Computer Science



"What is she going to do, flaunt it at the bars like every other girl, only she gets paid?"  
Jeff Kiedrich  
Dancing



## BUSINESS: Scarce business causes Field's to

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"I've been losing money for quite a while," Hilsabeck said. "I don't know, I'm just not wanting to get out, but I finally made a decision on March 1. You can't lose money forever."

The story of Field's Clothing goes all the way back to 1927.

Charles Lindbergh made the first trans-Atlantic flight from New York to Paris. Babe Ruth set a baseball record hitting 60 home runs in a season and Victor Fields moved his family and clothing business from Stannberry to Maryville.

Carole Funston, granddaughter of Victor Fields and daughter of Harold Fields, remembers the story vividly.

"He had a young family to raise and realized that opportunities were far greater in Maryville," Funston said.

Originally housed in the building that is today occupied by Bearcat Boogie and Looks Fitness Salon and Day Spa, the Fields eventually moved and settled into their current location on the Nodaway Square at 103 E. 4th Street.

Not long after the business got into full swing, the stock market crashed and banks across the country began to close.

"When the Depression came, the bank closed and my grandfather and grandmother lost their home, but they were able to keep the store open," Funston said.

"You look at the old pictures of a Northwest football game," Jeff said. "Virtually everyone there, all the men, had suits, tie and dress hats on."

Now with Field's Clothing's fate sealed, Carneal, Carole and Hilsabeck all agree the business will be missed.

"It makes me very sad," Carole said. "It makes me sad for the community because we've lost a lot in so many ways. We've lost community spirit, I don't think we'll ever get it back, as far as supporting home owned businesses."

As a citizen, Carneal hates to see the loss.

"I'm afraid to say that we're losing an institution, a landmark business, certainly they're going to know when it comes time for formal wear, the rental," Carneal said. "I think we are going to miss it because what do we have left? Wal-Mart. Penny's."

Hilsabeck said she'll miss the people, but looking up the store for the final time will be the hardest part of all.

"I won't want anybody around probably," Hilsabeck said.

Harold Fields died in 2004, but Carole Funston said he knew it was going to happen.

"You could just see the change coming," she said.

Hilsabeck plans to close the store after all merchandise has been sold. The Funstons still own the building and said new property owners have shown interest.

As time went on change in clothing style, as well as travel and transportation was on the rise, but support of local business began to take a gradual fall.

## EXPERIENCE: Speaker discusses Sept. 11 escape

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He encouraged everyone to change their attitudes and the way they think about things, and they need to be open to change.

"Diversity to a large degree is really discussing change," Hingson said.

He spoke about some of the misconceptions that blind people deal with. Society views blind people as incompetent, Hingson said, but seeing isn't everything it's "cracked up to be." For example, people who are not blind still depend on light when it's dark. This could also be considered a disability, he said.

A large number of blind people are unemployed, and it's not because they can't work, Hingson said. People don't think they are able to perform the job.

In 1996 he transferred from California to New Jersey to open an office in New York City for Quantum Data Protection Division. On Sept. 11 he was working for the company as a district sales manager.

After his experience he was offered a job for Guide Dogs, and moved back to California.

Today, Hingson still works for Guide Dogs for the Blind as the national public affairs and donor relations officer. Guide

Dogs for the Blind is funded by private donations, and all dogs and services are provided at no cost. All the speaking fees Hingson receives goes back to Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Roselle, a yellow Labrador, is Hingson's fifth guide dog. He has had a guide dog since he was 14.

Her job is to make sure he walks straight and safely, and look for obstacles and move around them. Hingson's job is to know where he is going and how to get there. He has GPS that tells him where to go and what is around him.

He trusts Roselle until he knows for sure she is wrong, and she trusts him to navigate.

Some of the headlines conveyed he was led down the stairs by Roselle on Sept. 11, but that wasn't entirely true, Hingson said. He could have used a cane just as easily, but the duo worked as a team to get out.

"To say 'blind man led down stairs by guide dog' isn't accurate," Hingson said.

On the way down the stairs he had to remain calm so Roselle could do her job without looking back at him to make sure he was OK. He kept encouraging and telling her she was doing great.

He smelled jet fuel vapors as they

made the climb down the stairs. The team finally got out of the building. They were 100 yards away from Tower Two when it collapsed.

They ran away from the sound and Roselle did everything she was supposed to do, Hingson said. Roselle got him away from the danger as the two ran for cover. He was able to make it home later that evening.

The next day he contacted Guide Dogs for the Blind and told them what happened, and he was asked to write a story about their experience.

He and his wife also decided to accept the media attention in order to help Guide Dogs for the Blind, and to help people understand diversity and blindness.

Freshman Nicole Stetzel, an education major, came to get diversity hours for her major. She thought Hingson would be more interesting than other speakers.

"He made me realize he thinks we are as different as we think he is," Stetzel said.

Sophomore Donna Sharpe said she really enjoyed the event and came because it was neat to see a person who made it out of the World Trade Center.

Hingson was brought by the Ploghof Lecture Series.

## SPRING BREAK: Remember safety tips over break

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Another reason many students jet-set to Mexico is the cheap prices. For a five-night, all-inclusive roundtrip to Cancun or Acapulco, a student will only have shell out \$1,100, according to Apple.

With Cancun also being MTV's favorite Spring Break spot, college students flock to its beaches every March. MTV's Spring Break comes alive as VJs strive to make your wildest dreams reality by bringing celebrities sporting tight bikinis, tans and muscle-ripped t-shirts all within arms distance. Though fantasy games, Spring Break singles are encouraged to find someone to share their bed with each night.

The American Medical Association found that in 2006 74 percent of Spring Break participants said they knew friends who were sexually active with more than one partner while three out of five women said

they knew friends who had unprotected sex during their break.

"Spring Break has a reputation for being high risk and it's important to realize just because you're out of your protective environment, it doesn't make your behavior safe," Murr said.

Although not all students make the trip to the week-long party beyond borders, dangers can still linger.

Northwest sophomore Mark Lang decided to spend his break building homes as part of Northwest's Alternative Spring Break in Birmingham, Ala., last year.

Lang thought he was free from accidents, crime and alcohol abuse until he thought he saw members of his group down the road. He tried to catch up with them only to realize they were not the people he knew. Being separated from the group made him an easy target as two men approached him, asked for his money, cell phone and wallet all while threatening him at gunpoint.

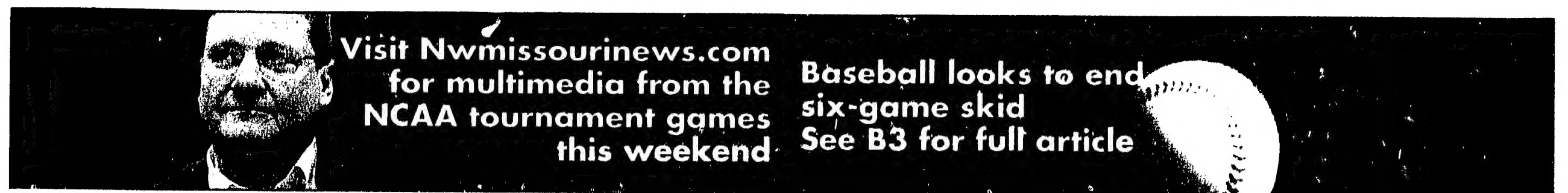
"No one mentioned it was a bad part of town to us. Even the cops saw us getting off the bus there but didn't bother to say anything," Lang said.

Although the men left with only his cell phone, Lang was left free from injuries.

"It happened the first night so I just tried to put it behind me so it wouldn't ruin the rest of my trip," Lang said.

To ensure safety whether students travel to the beach or stay in Maryville, Peer Education is promoting "Bobbypalooza" as part of the Safe Spring Break Program. Peer Education's second annual "Bobbypalooza" encourages Spring Break safety through give-a-ways, prizes, a free barbecue and an obstacle course on March 14 at the Bell Tower.

"I know when you're going on Spring Break it can get crazy. You can have a good time but you still need to be reminded of safety," said Megan Hamilton, Northwest senior and coordinator of "Bobbypalooza."



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Baseball looks to end six-game skid See B3 for full article

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## NCAA tournament PREVIEW

### No. 7 seed 'Cats take on No. 2 seed West Texas A&M

By Cali Arnold  
Community Sports Editor



GUARDS MEGHAN Brue and Lance Sullivan  
photos by Mike Day | photography editor

Northwest will be trying for many things against No. 10 West Texas A&M Friday, and not just a win.

Head coach Gene Steinmeyer will be looking for his first NCAA Division II tournament win. The team will be looking for its first win against a ranked opponent all season. Every woman on the team will be looking at her first experience in the tournament.

However, a win will not come easy.

West Texas A&M is 27-4 on the season and went 14-0 in the Lone Star Conference to claim the south division championship. They fell to Texas A&M-Commerce in the conference tournament championship game 81-71, which snapped a 14-game winning streak for the Lady Buffs.

"I'm kind of excited about it because they're a really good team with one really good player," Steinmeyer said. "But it isn't like we haven't seen good players."

That "really good player" is 5-9 sophomore guard Emily Brister. She leads the Lady Buffs in points (22.9 per game), field goal attempts (14.8 per game) and field goals made (seven per game). She is also leading in 3-point field goal attempts (6.2 per game), 3-point field goals made (2.7 per game), free throw attempts (7.5 per game), free throws made (6.3 per game) and free throw percentage (84%). Brister also led the team in scoring 26 out of the 32 games played this season. Only three of the games she led showed her producing less than 20 points, while she scored over 30 points in four.

Northwest will find itself at a slight disadvantage at the post position. Senior Alicia Saunders, who stands at 6-5, holds a five-inch advantage over 6-00 tall Mandi Schumacher, the 'Cats tallest player. Saunders averages only four points per game, but has blocked 22 shots in only 19 games.

Steinmeyer doesn't see the height as a problem for his team. He hopes for a press from the Lady Buffs so the 'Cats can use some of its quickness.

"We can take advantage of the 6-5 girl (Saunders) just by being mobile," Steinmeyer said. "If they do try to double team us on ball screens and on the weave, then we can kind of lure them into a trap and say 'come on, double team us' and attack them in the mismatch."

Northwest players are excited to play a new opponent. With three other MIAA teams in the South Central region (No. 1 seed Missouri Western, No. 3 seed Washburn and No. 5 seed Emporia State), a rematch against an opponent they had already played two or three times was not appealing.

"I really don't know anything about this team that we're playing, but I'm excited to play somebody new," junior Lauren Williams said.

Northwest guard Kelli Nelson said the 'Cats need some improvement on both offense and defense, but overall are at a good place going into the tournament.

"We just need to keep it intense," Nelson said. "Hopefully our shots will fall a little bit better (than during the MIAA tournament), and we're playing in St. Joseph so that will probably help, too. The crowd will follow us and that will be really nice."

Tip-off for the Northwest-West Texas A&M game will be at 3 p.m., Friday, at Missouri Western Fieldhouse in St. Joseph. The winner will advance to play the winner of the Washburn-Emporia State game Saturday.

### MIAA rival set for first round rematch

By Brett Barger  
University Sports Editor

Hunter Henry can't wait to get the bad taste out of his mouth left by Pittsburg State.

Saturday night, Henry and No. 4 Northwest will get a chance for redemption when they take on No. 5 Pitt State in the first round of the South Central Regional in Warrensburg, Mo.

"We definitely want to play them again and show them when it really counts this time," said Henry, who averaged 16.6 points and 5.3 rebounds in three games against the Gorillas.

In the semifinal round of the MIAA conference tournament in Kansas City, Pitt State pummeled Northwest on the boards, en route to a 76-70 victory.

While defense carried Northwest to a share of the conference championship, Henry said defensive communication has lacked the last few games.

"It's a lot of little things. The team thing, the whole team concept and defensive thinking we've lost the last month and a half," Henry said. "Hopefully in the next four days, we'll get that back."

Andy Peterson said the Gorillas are a dangerous team. Pitt State closed out the season, winning six of their last eight games.

"They've played lights out these last two weeks and they've played hard and won some big games. That's why you play college basketball," Peterson said.

Pittsburg State is coached by Gene Iba. Iba said the Gorillas have a challenge ahead of them, despite taking two out of three from the Bearcats.

"I think Northwest is a pretty good basketball team. There hasn't been a lot of difference in their team this year or previous year because Tapp (Steve Tappmeyer) does a great job and his kids always play hard," Iba said.

Iba said Northwest's depth makes it difficult to focus on one aspect of their game.

"You can go over (Hunter) Henry and their really good players. But when they come off the bench, they come off the bench with shooters," Iba said.

While the rebounding deficiencies have plagued Northwest, coach Steve Tappmeyer said his team has struggled against Pitt State in other areas.

"We have to handle their pressure," Tappmeyer said. "We haven't had a lot of turnovers in the games, but they've taken us out of our offensive flow too much."

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—WOMEN'S REGIONALS

## Hope of another game comes true

By Cali Arnold  
Community Sports Editor



MISSOURI WESTERN center Inga Buzoka turns on the pressure against Northwest forward Mandi Schumacher during Saturday night's game held at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City.

Gene Steinmeyer thought his team deserved another game.

His wish came true Sunday night. After a semifinal loss to Missouri Western in the MIAA tournament, no one knew for sure if Northwest would even make the NCAA tournament. The result was a No. 7 seed in the South Central region and a matchup against the No. 2 seed West Texas A&M this Friday.

Junior Kelli Nelson said it was a long wait Sunday while watching the selection show to see where the team would end up.

"We (the team) got really excited," Nelson said. "We were so nervous when we were the last one called, even the last region. We were freaking out."

Junior Lauren Williams said she was surprised with the No. 7 seed, but had an idea the team would make it after listening to Steinmeyer.

"I was surprised," Williams said. "He (Steinmeyer) sounded pretty positive about it and usually he's fairly cautious about everything, so I'm just like 'he has to know something.'"

No player on the Northwest team has played in the NCAA tournament. It will be

only the fourth time in school history for the women to make the tournament, with the others coming in 2004, 1990 and 1984.

Steinmeyer saw his first appearance in 2004 when Washburn defeated his team in the first round, 65-64.

That team beat Washburn in the MIAA tournament for a conference championship.

The main difference between his 2007 team and the 2004 team is experience, according to Steinmeyer.

"That team was experienced—eight seniors on it," Steinmeyer said. "Our post player was just named MVP of the (MIAA) tournament, our point guard probably should have been MVP of that tournament in Jane Chalmers because she was the best defensive player in the league. Roles were very defined, we had a solid bench."

This season's team has seen many changes. While the 2004 team saw only one change in its lineup all season, this team has seen almost constant changes in starters and playing time. It is something the coach thinks was accepted from the women.

"I almost feel sorry for some of these players because I search for the right combination. I know as a player that's not easy for them," Steinmeyer said. "But if we're going to succeed, we have to accept it."

—MEN'S REGIONALS

## Mixed reactions to No. 4 seed

By Brett Barger  
University Sports Editor

Hunter Henry and coach Steve Tappmeyer were surprised—but for different reasons.

"I was a little surprised we got No. 4," Henry said.

Tappmeyer said he was more surprised by Pittsburg State jumping to No. 5 in the region than his own team being dropped to No. 4.

"I don't think there's any doubt they're (Pitt State) playing at the highest level of anybody in the region," Tappmeyer said. "When you look at Emporia State who finished three games ahead...it really shows there's a lot of emphasis put on the MIAA tournament."

What ultimately gave Northwest the fourth seed was Midwestern State. Midwestern won the LSC conference tournament and beat Northwest in the only matchup, 72-70, Dec. 20.

After a "technical difficulty" delayed the start of the NCAA Divi-

sion II basketball tournament selection show, Northwest went from a possible No. 1 seed to No. 4 in the region. Initially, there was speculation that whomever went deeper in the MIAA tournament would get the No. 1 seed and the other would most likely garner the No. 2 seed.

"We're just happy to be playing and going out there," Tappmeyer said.

Pitt State coach Gene Iba said he wasn't surprised where his team was selected.

"I think our strength of schedule had a lot to do with it and obviously we've been playing pretty well lately," Iba said.

Central Missouri took the top seed after sharing the regular season conference championship and winning the MIAA conference tournament. Taking the No. 2 seed was Southeastern Oklahoma State. Midwestern State took the No. 3 seed. West Texas A&M, Emporia State and St. Edwards round out the fifth through eighth seeds.

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## -NW WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# 'Cats streaky offense looks to out-gun Lady Buffs

By Sam Robinson  
Chief Reporter

One day before its biggest game in three years, the Northwest women's basketball team is hoping to carry their late-season momentum a little bit further.

While their improved play in February and March is the reason they got in, the Bearcats' scoring troubles against ranked teams could be their downfall.

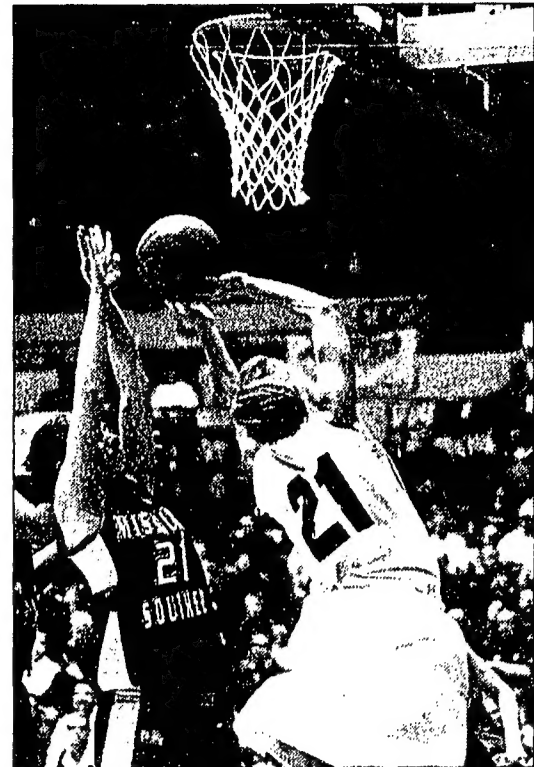
Going 0-9 against ranked opponents, the 'Cats have only shot more than 40 percent from the field in one of those games.

As most of those losses came before the 'Cats 6-3 stretch run, coach Gene Steinmeyer believes a late-season practice adjustment somehow turned the tide.

"After every Thursday shoot-around, we hit a skid. The more shooting we did, the worse we got," Steinmeyer said. "All of a sudden, we took Thursdays off and only twice we've been below 40 percent. So we went with that philosophy the second half of the conference season and we've shot better. So in this case less was more. It's screwy."

Another difference between January's squad and March's is the emergence of junior post player Mandi Schumacher. Benchmarked for four games in favor of backup Ashley Baker in mid-January, she returned in emphatic fashion, scoring 17 points in her first game back and a career-high 24 against Central Missouri in her second. During the tournament push, the team is 5-0 when Schumacher scores 10 or more points. When she doesn't, they are 1-3.

"Mandi is a streak shooter," Steinmeyer said. "Usually outside players are streak shooters, you



**NORTHWEST GUARD** Meghan Brue goes around Missouri Southern's Elia Zawacka in the second half of Friday afternoon's game held at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City. Brue was second in scoring with 12 points in the game.

usually don't see this with an inside player. When she's on, she can throw up about any off-balance shot and it'll go in. When she's off, she can be perfectly balanced and (her shots) won't draw iron."

Simplicity has been a key to her turnaround. "I try to use my strength to my advantage,"

Schumacher said. "Sometimes I try to do too much, make too many moves when I could just turn around and shoot. I've really tried to focus on that."

Junior Kelli Nelson said Mandi's presence in the paint greatly aids the perimeter game.

"They definitely try to double-team and collapse and her, so it really helps open up everything else on the outside," Nelson said.

Three-point shooting has also been a catalyst to the tournament surge.

Guards Nelson and Katie O'Grady, and forward Lauren Williams each swished six in a game in February, with the team hitting on over 40 percent of their shots three times during that span. The culmination of this came against Fort Hays State where the team shot 58 percent from long-range. Northwest's 213 made 3-pointers also broke a school record.

Steinmeyer is not shy about his preference for an up-tempo game.

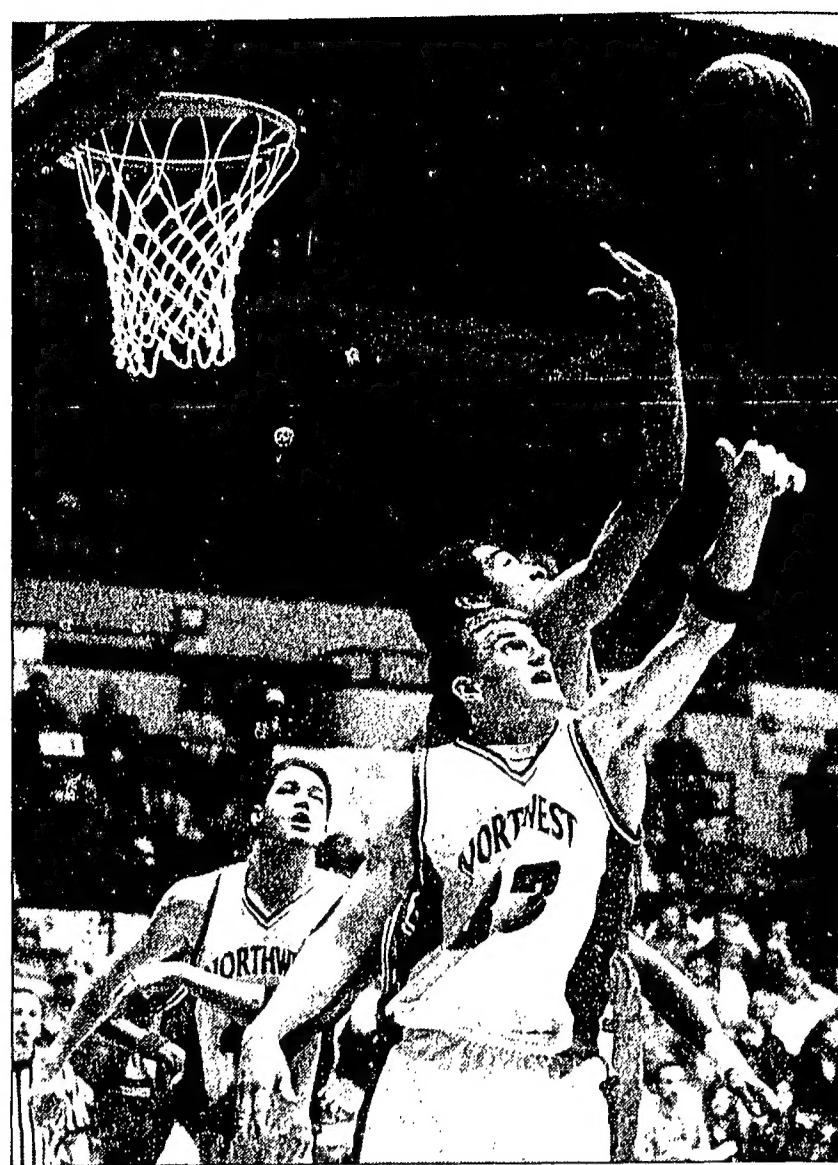
"I think most coaches will tell you that the high-percentage thing is to get it around the basket but I've always been a fan of quick shots, getting it up and down," he said. "I love to see the run and gun three-point shooting."

Either the recent shooting success or the losing streak against ranked teams has to give tomorrow as Northwest takes on No. 2 seed West Texas A&M.

Steinmeyer has a game-plan that will utilize his sharpshooters to capitalize on the Lady Buffs' full-court pressure.

"I love it when teams press us because any time teams press you, they're weak somewhere," he said. "We're going to lure them into taking chances and attack it. If they try to pressure us, I think we can bury them."

## -NW MEN'S BASKETBALL



**NORTHWEST GUARD** Andy Peterson keeps his eyes on the ball during the first half of the game against Pittsburg State as he attempts to get the rebound. Peterson had a total of 10 points in the loss to the Gorillas.

# Rebounding key in MIAA tourney rematch

By Scott Levine  
Asst. Sports Editor

As the clock ticked down on Northwest's chances to host the regional tournament, two glaring numbers appeared opposite the final score—36-20.

That number represents the rebounding margin in favor of Pittsburg State during the MIAA second-round conference tournament victory over Northwest. This was the third meeting between the two teams, and now they'll collide again Saturday during the regional first round.

During those first three meetings, the Gorillas managed a 119-67 advantage on the boards. Northwest head coach Steve Tappmeyer said his team must work together in battling the Gorilla's rebounding attack.

"Watching the tape, it showed at times the guards were just standing there," Tappmeyer said. "I think we're getting to the point where it needs to be more of team effort."

Pitt State features six players 6-7 or taller, while the Bearcats have two 6-7 or taller. Hunter Henry, a 6-8, 190-pound, sophomore, said the 'Cats must close the rebounding gap.

"That was the difference in the last two games," Henry said about rebounding. "They really have just outworked us. We need to do a better job from top to bottom."

Henry also said the Gorilla's depth allows them to be more physical down low. "It is tough," Henry said. "I'm skinny and they really have just pushed me around. But if we work as a team, we should do better rebounding."

Henry and company will encounter 6-7, 243-pound, post player Cory Abercrombie for the fourth time. Abercrombie has grabbed 28 rebounds during the first three games.

In addition to Abercrombie's numbers, Daniel Blair has tallied 19 rebounds and Ed Morris has grabbed 24.

Pitt State coach Gene Iba said his team's playing level has been the biggest difference during these past two games against the 'Cats.

"We're playing better basketball right now," Iba said. "This time of the year there aren't many differences in either team. But (Tappmeyer's) team always has the chance to outwork you."

And outworking Pitt State is what Tappmeyer believes his team must do to advance in the tournament.

"That's something I'll definitely emphasize during practice," Tappmeyer said. "We're not going to get stronger or more athletic in a week, but we need to have more effort by committee."

That committee begins with the starting five. Henry, along with fellow forward Matt Withers, combined for 13 rebounds during the last meeting and 17 for the previous two.

However, Tappmeyer, Henry and Andy Peterson said the blame should be on the team as a whole, not on those individuals.

"The guards need to step up," Peterson said. "We need to get after the loose balls better and have more effort."

Peterson, Lance Sullivan and Reggie Robinson combined for two rebounds during the previous meeting.

As the 'Cats embark on their fourth game against Pitt State Tappmeyer said he hopes his team's experience will out-muscle the Gorilla's rebounding efforts.

"I think we're aware of what's going on," Tappmeyer said. "It's win or go home, and hopefully we respond."

## -NW BASEBALL

# Men go winless on southern trip

By Sam Robinson  
Chief Reporter

Northwest's cold, damp campus has never looked so inviting.

After dropping all six of their games in Florida and Alabama's bright sunshine, the Bearcat baseball team is glad to be home.

The 'Cats were swept in a four-game series by No. 13 West Florida and in a two-game set by No. 24 Montevallo to drop their record to 3-7.

Coach Darin Lee said if his squad had caught these teams a bit later in the season, the results would have been different, but sees many areas to address before the conference slate begins.

"I know if we played these types of teams midseason, we'd fare much better against them," Lee said. "The biggest thing is we're not scoring enough runs or having enough quality at-bats.

When you're not scoring runs, those mistakes are magnified so much more."

Following their four losses in

Pensacola, Fla., the 'Cats' error woes nearly ceased, but their collective slump did not.

In game one at Montevallo (15-5), Northwest fell 5-3, in a pitcher's duel.

Sophomore Bill Disselhoff's first start was squandered as Falcons' starter Nate Russ dismantled the 'Cats by going 7.2 innings, giving up two hits and striking out eight.

Disselhoff went 5.1, nothing four strikeouts and allowing only two runs. Sophomore third baseman Ben Malick had two doubles and an RBI in the loss.

Senior starter Brian Lamers saw his team compete with the competition but fail to come through in the clutch.

"Those guys (Montevallo and West Florida) were ranked pretty

decent and we hung with them the entire game," Lamers said. "Every single game we were in it, we could have taken the game away from them. Someone's got to put the ball in play and score some runs somehow. We just have to come up with that big hit to get us there."

Game two was not as kind to the pitching staff as the Falcons mounted two five-run innings en route to an 11-6 pound-

ing of the 'Cats.

Northwest had control early as catcher Ryley Westman's single opened the door to a three-run second inning. The lead would not last long as Montevallo unloaded on starter Danny Malone for a five-run third.

With the score 5-3 and the Bearcat bats in a week-long slump,

the game would have ended here on paper.

But right fielder Chris Benham resurrected the effort with a two-run blast to tie it in the fifth. Benham's homerun was for naught as errors would once again doom the 'Cats.

The Falcons preyed on the relievers for this rally, scoring five runs, each unearned, in the seventh.

"The thing about ranked competition is they don't give you any breaks," Lee said. "They don't walk anybody, they don't hit anybody and they play great defense. We're just not ready for that this early in the season."

Northwest's home opener against Nebraska-Omaha was delayed due to poor field conditions and was moved to Rockhurst University in Kansas City.

The 'Cats took on the Mavericks in a doubleheader Wednesday (results not available at press time), and will play a pair of 7-inning doubleheaders against Minnesota-Crookston at 5 p.m. Saturday and on Sunday afternoon (time TBD) at Rockhurst.

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## -NW TRACK

# Running to Boston

Team sends 3 to national meet

By Jared Verner  
Missourian Reporter

With the focus of the Bearcat nation on the NCAA basketball tournaments, three men will be competing to become national champions in one of the oldest sports at Northwest.

Seniors Bayo Adio, Diezeas Calbert and Eric Isley, will be in Boston on March 9 and 10 competing in the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships. The three men survived the cut among the nationwide provisional qualifiers.

But unlike other competitors, who may be making their first appearance on Division II tracks' biggest stage, this will be a return trip for each of the Northwest athletes.

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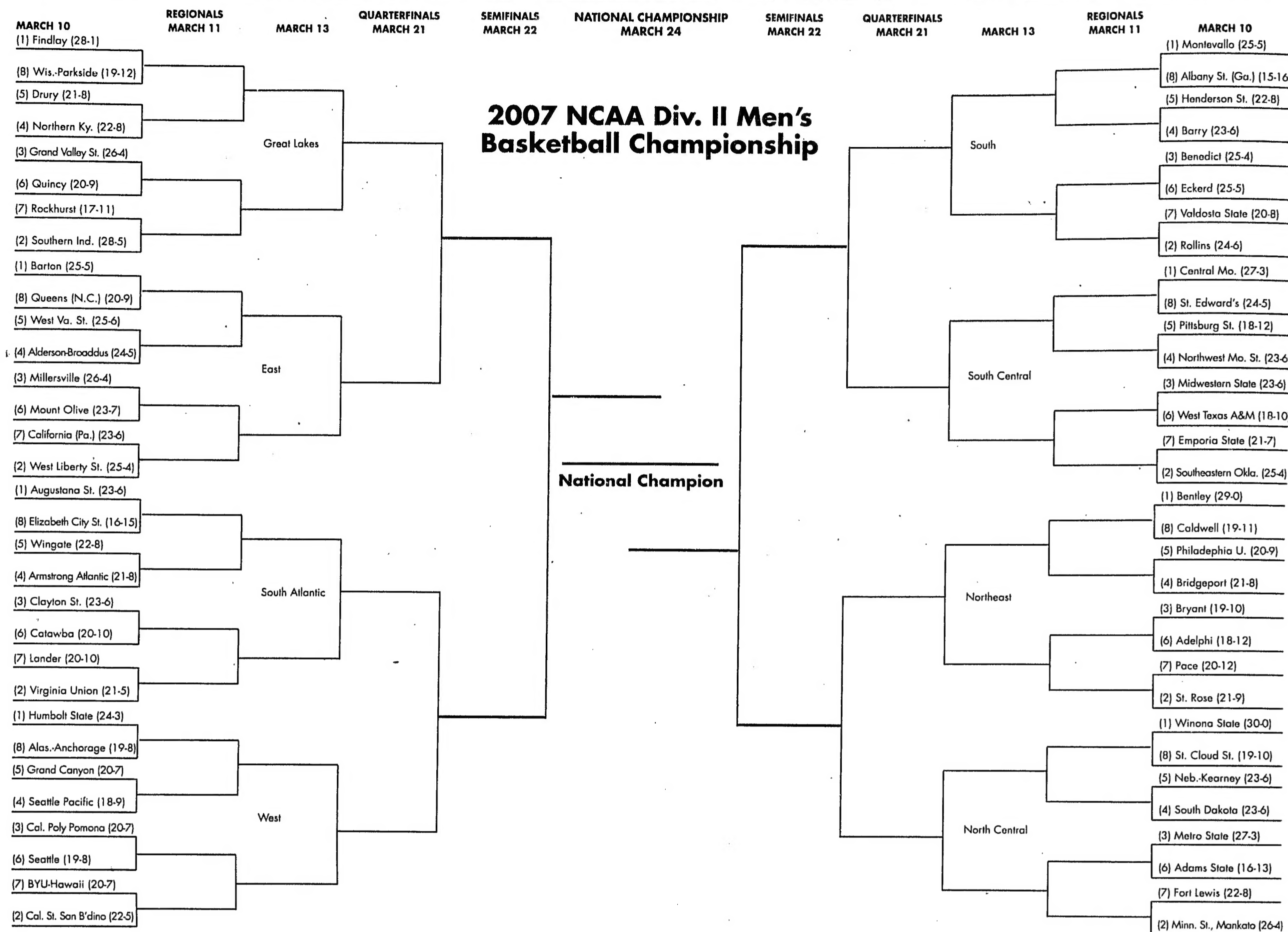
**-MEN'S STATISTICS**

**Pittsburg State 18-12**  
44 Cory Abercrombie 14.8 Points, 6.0 Rebounds, 57 percent shooting  
50 Ed Morris 14.3 Points, 8.5 Rebounds, 58 percent shooting  
05 Keith Windom 7.9 Points, 3.5 percent shooting  
12 Joe Bridges 6.7 Points, 4.2 percent shooting  
24 Carlos Taylor 9.5 Points, 3.9 percent shooting  
54 Michael Hutchinson 4.8 Points, 3.6 percent shooting, 3.9 Rebounds  
40 Daniel Blair 4.4 Points, 4.9 percent shooting, 2.6 Rebounds  
33 Rashad Singleton 6.5 Points, 3.8 percent shooting, 3.4 Rebounds  
22 Nathan Long 2.8 Points, 4.2 percent shooting, 3.0 Rebounds  
30 Spencer Magana 3.2 Points, 4.0 percent shooting  
03 Chris Roe 2.2 Points, 4.2 percent shooting  
32 Justin McCoy 1.1 Points, 3.9 percent shooting

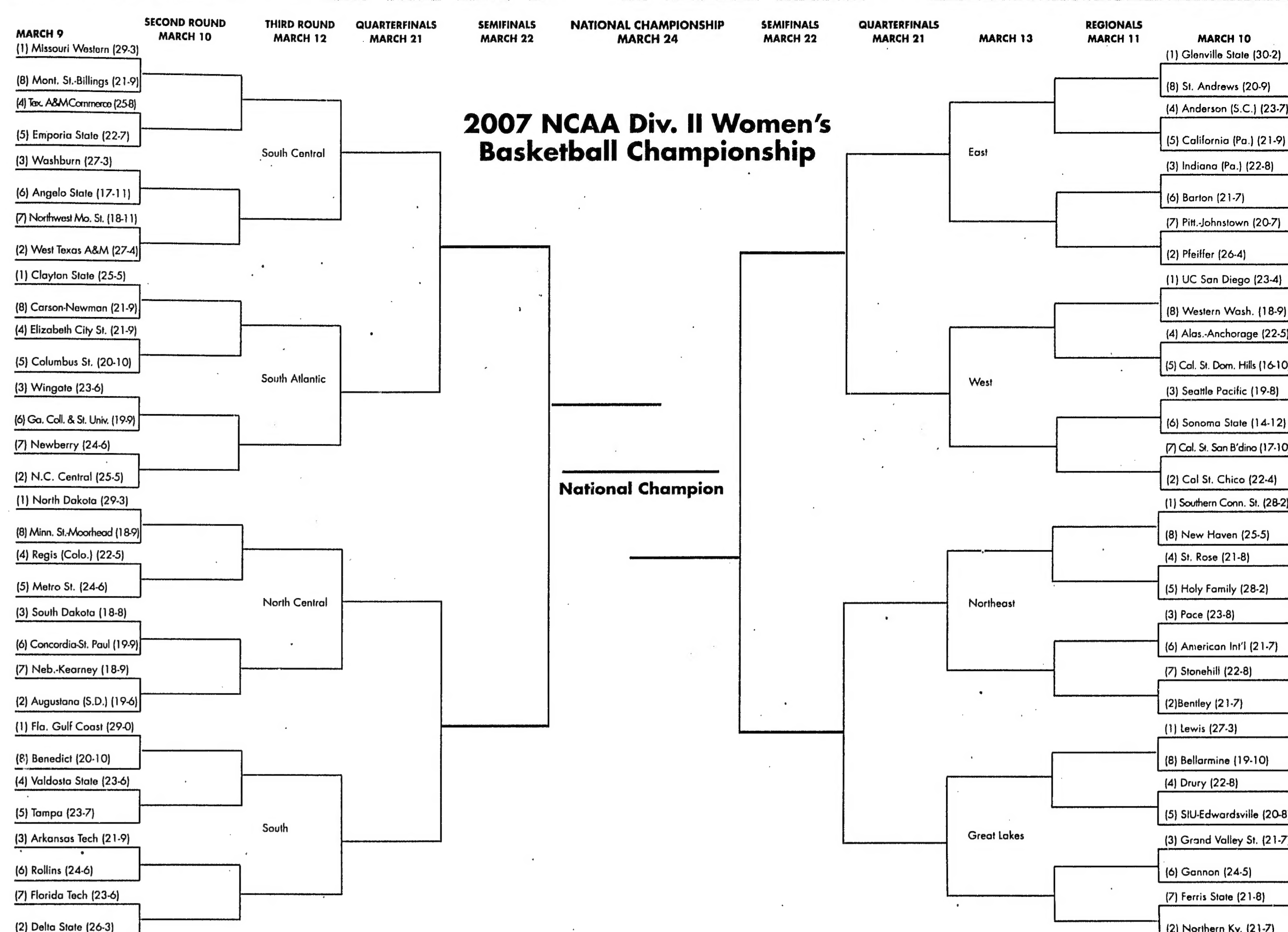
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23 Lance Sullivan 11.2 Points, 38 percent shooting  
32 Andy Peterson 10.5 Points, 3.9 Re



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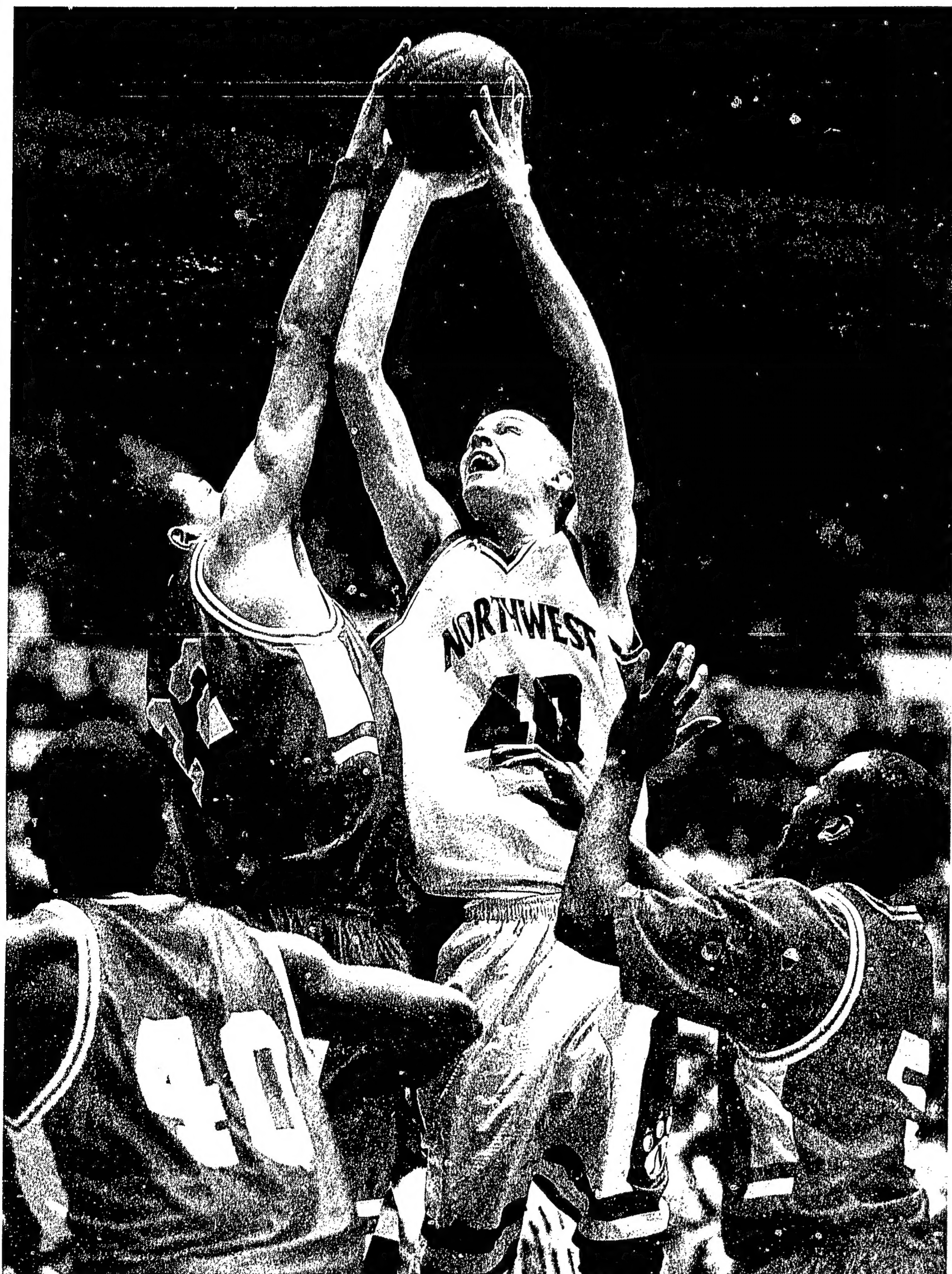
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(clockwise from left) **NORTHWEST GUARD** Andy Peterson lobbs the ball over Missouri Southern center Dale Hunter in the first half of the game on Thursday afternoon held at Municipal Auditorium. Peterson had 14 points in the game, helping Northwest beat Missouri Southern 89-56.

**PITTSBURG STATE'S** Nathan Long gets a hand on the ball as Northwest forward Hunter Henry attempts to shoot for the basket during the first half of the game. Northwest lost to Pittsburg State 76-70.

**PITTSBURG STATE** forward Ed Morris slips the ball out of Northwest guard Lance Sullivan's hand while attempting a lay-up during the second half of the game.

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## —HOROSCOPES—

**Today's Birthday (3-8-07)**  
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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)**  
Today is an 8 — Finish an old task and you can collect the money that you're owed. The task may simply be asking for the money. You can do it; don't be afraid.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**  
Today is a 6 — Take a back seat, and let somebody else do the driving for a while. Better yet, stay out of the vehicle altogether. There's too much confusion out there.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)**  
Today is an 8 — You're asked to take on a new and very difficult assignment. Don't worry; luck is with you in this. Proceed with confidence.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)**  
Today is a 7 — An otherwise blissful interlude is rudely interrupted. The disagreement is about how the money should be spent. Postpone big purchases until next week.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
Today is a 5 — Real estate and home improvements are usually well favored. This time, however, your purchase could spark a domestic confrontation. Better talk it over first.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
Today is a 7 — As you reach the next level, you find that you've outgrown some of your methods. You may need to revise your procedures and update your equipment, too.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
Today is an 8 — Finally, the money's coming in. All that work was not for nothing. Unfortunately, a loved one and/or child wants you to take them shopping.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
Today is an 8 — You're the strong silent type for a reason. That's how you're most effective. Maintain the mystery now; excessive info will cause confusion.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
Today is a 7 — You're more interested in working now because you must. You do well under pressure; maybe that's why you wait. You love that adrenalin rush.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
Today is an 8 — Discuss your most recent insights with friends who can help you understand. The part that at first is the most confusing turns out to be the most basic.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
Today is a 9 — There's plenty of money to be made; if you can do what's required. To be part of the team, you must learn their's always someone who outranks you.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
Today is an 8 — Encouragement from far away is certainly heart warming. But, can you accept adoration from one who doesn't know the whole story? Sure, if it makes them feel good.

## —SYROLLER—

### Your Man brings fat back



Just recently, Northwest eliminated the use of trans fats in the foods served on campus. A message is being sent people, and that message is...you're too fat.

The powers that be have decided that a trans-fat-free world will battle the "freshman 15," "sophomore 60" and "junior just stop keeping track because this is getting sad."

I disagree. I think that trans fat has nothing to do with the gargantuan guts on glutinous coeds. It's all about the laziness.

We're lazy. College students won't get off their rear for anything but beer (hey that rhymes), and they'd prefer that sitting down too.

If you're like me your best workouts come on the toilet battling last night's La Bonita. The pollo loco was a bad choice.

People are also stupid. Now, they have all these crazy diets that are supposed to make you skinny. Stop eating carbs. Stop eating proteins. Stop eating period and start doing cocaine...that's the Kate Moss diet.

How weird are these things going to get? Soon someone will invent the "dice up a carrot and snort it up your nose while doing a rain dance to please the god of thinness" diet.

And what's so wrong with being fat anyway? I'm fat, and I love it. I'm hardly ever cold. When I fall I have a nice soft landing. I haven't seen my penis in two years...wait, that's a bad one.

I know I'll probably die of a heart attack at 37, but you have to die of something, right? Better a

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## —MOVIE REVIEW—

### 'Zodiac' plot proves original but too long

By James Evans  
Missourian Reporter

No one likes crazy murdering masterminds... except filmmakers.

"Zodiac" tells the true story of a serial killer who terrorized Californians in the late '60s and early '70s. David Fincher ("Seven," "Fight Club") directs the film, and, as always, gives the audience great images to look at.

Fincher has proven his filmmaking expertise on many occasions. However, "Zodiac" shows a major flaw in his process. The film clocks in at two hours and 40 minutes. Some stories deserve three hours: the "Lord of the Rings" chapters, "The Ten Commandments," etc. "Zodiac" is not one of those stories.

The film separates into three sections. The first 45 minutes show us the Zodiac killer's crimes and the methods by which he taunted police and the media. This section of the film is disturbing, graphic and by far the most interesting part of the movie.

The second act of the movie shifts our focus to the police investigations of the murders. Detectives played by Mark Ruffalo ("Collateral") and Anthony Edwards ("E.R.") search for evidence and are foiled at every turn by the maniacally ingenious murderer.

Along the way we are also introduced to a pair of journalists played by Jake Gyllenhaal and Robert Downey Jr. During his reign of terror, the killer sent clues, puzzles and false confessions to California newspapers. Gyllenhaal and Downey became obsessed with the case and became amateur detective trying to hunt down the killer.

This set-up leads us to the part three of the film. By this time, viewers have already watched two hours of film. And while the subject matter remains interesting, a conclusion is desired. It won't come soon enough.

The final 40 minutes of the film follow Gyllenhaal's character on his obsessive quest to discover the murderer's identity. This section is full of leads, discoveries, misdirection, people being accused; proving the accused innocent, then new clues... it becomes as exhausting as this sentence.

"Zodiac" offers viewers a lot of information, too much in fact. Most of that information is delivered in long-winded and highly-detailed dialogues between two characters. Some of it is interesting; some of it is headache-inducing.



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# MIAA Tournament RECAP

(clockwise from left) **NORTHWEST GUARD** Kelli Nelson jumps into a Missouri Southern defender during Friday afternoon's game held at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City. Nelson 10 points in the game, helping Northwest defeat Missouri Southern 77-54.  
**NORTHWEST GUARD** Lance Sullivan makes a move against a Pittsburg State defender during Saturday afternoon's game. Despite Sullivan having 16 points in the game, the Bearcats lost to the Gorillas 76-70.  
**NORTHWEST FORWARD** Hunter Henry dunks the ball during the first round playoff game against Missouri Southern on Thursday night. Henry lead the Bearcats in scoring with 20 points, leading Northwest as they beat Missouri Southern 89-56.  
**NORTHWEST FORWARD** Lauren Williams does her best to regain control of the ball against Missouri Western guard Tiffany Davis during Saturday night's game.

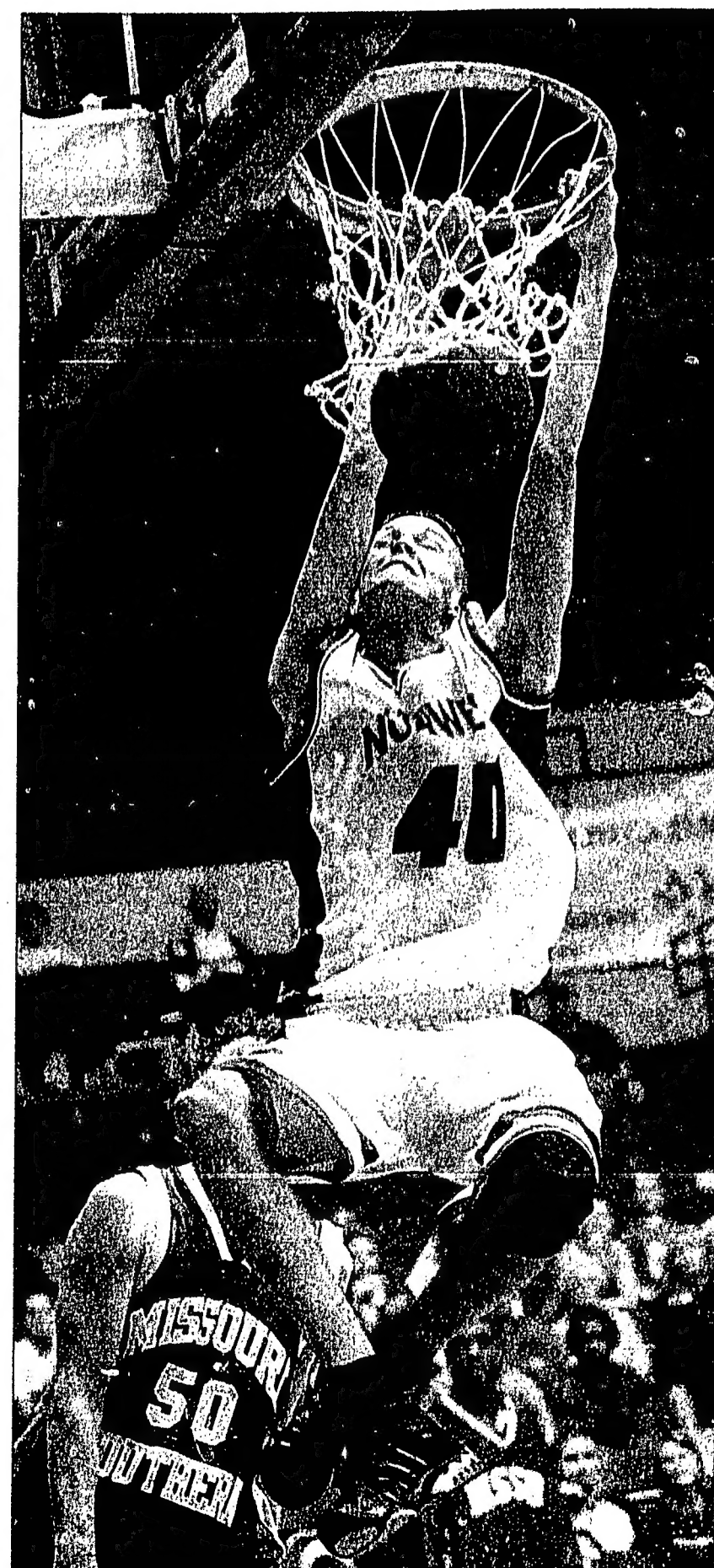
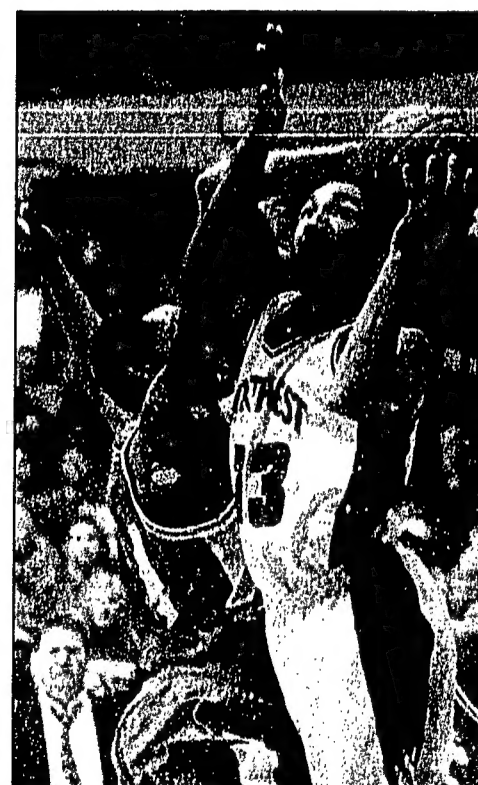
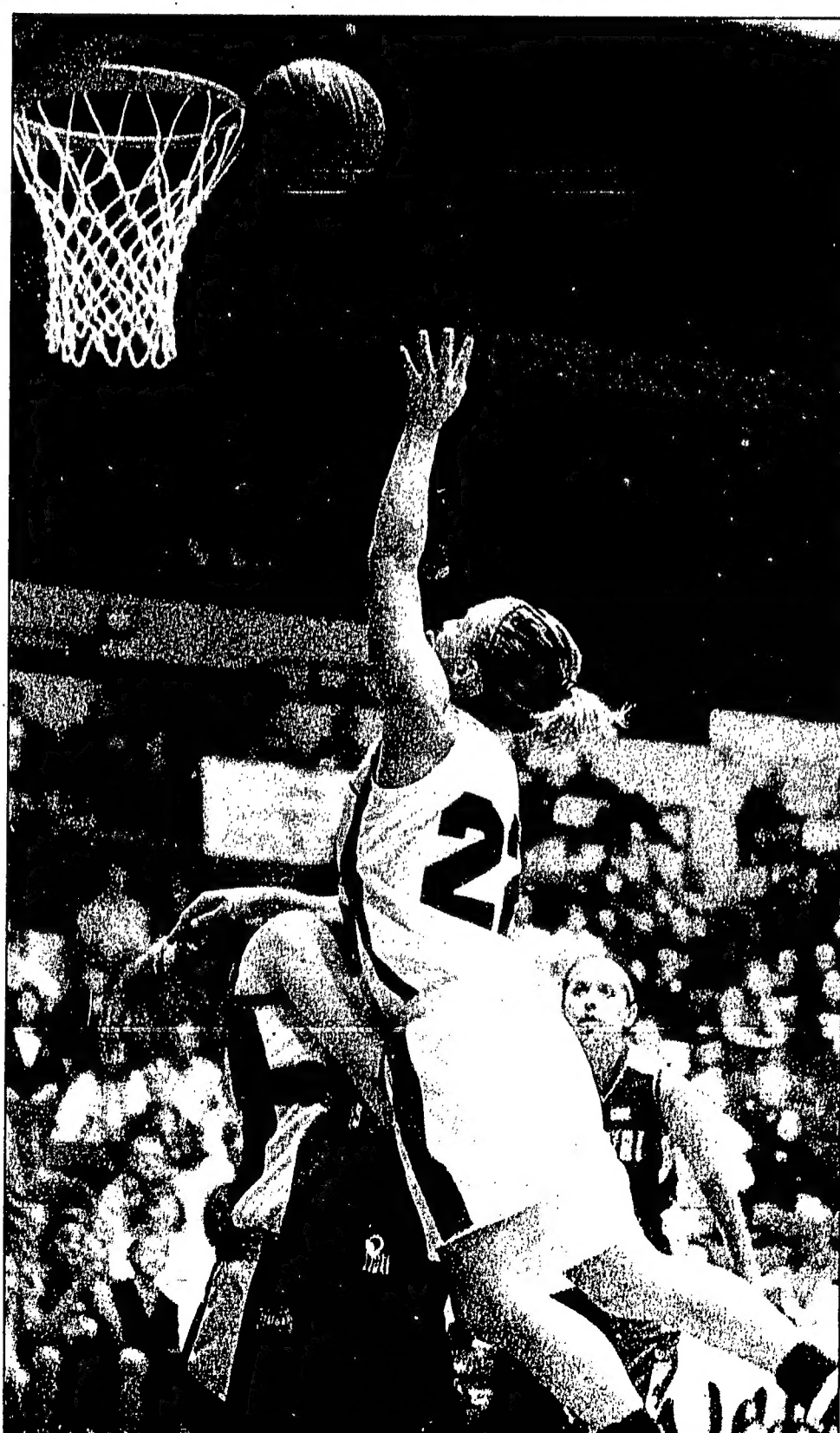


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